SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 838 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to commend Jenica Shiri Curd for her extraordinary service as a legislative intern and for exemplary leadership at Austin Peay State University.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jenica Shiri Curd is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Senator Rosalind Kurita; her work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislator she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a senior at Austin Peay State University, where she is highly admired by her peers, Shiri has achieved academic success while majoring in Public Management with a concentration in Political Science, and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Shiri is an esteemed member of the African American Student Association,
Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society, Gamma Sigma Sigma Service Sorority, Austin Peay State
University Mock Trial Team, and Voices of Triumph Gospel Choir, where she served as a Public Relations Committee Member; and

WHEREAS, a well-regarded leader among her peers, she was a member of the Student Government Association, where she served on the Senate Selection Board; Chairman Senator-

at-Large; Pro Tempore of the General Welfare Committee; Associate Justice of the Judicial Committee; and Orientation Advisor for incoming students; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Curd's extraordinary work ethic and outstanding intellect have earned her the 2000 Outstanding Student Leader Award from Austin Peay State University, the Judge John Peay Scholarship in Political Science, Resident Hall Association Scholarship, 2000 Best Witness for Mock Trial, and nomination for 2001 Austin Peay State University Homecoming Queen; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Shiri brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2002 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2002 legislative session, she has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; she has earned the respect and admiration of everyone with whom she has worked through her outstanding work ethic, reliability, and diligence in completing her duties; and

WHEREAS, an industrious young woman, Shiri has provided technical assistance in Senator Kurita's office, organized and planned events hosted by Senator Kurita; completed research for legislation sponsored by the Senator, including the excise tax on cigarettes, which added 30 cents of tax on each pack of cigarettes; and continued to record the Senator's correspondence and press book; and

WHEREAS, Shiri has been recognized as Most Athletic Intern for the 2002 Intern Superlatives; and

WHEREAS, Shiri's academic, extracurricular, and internship success is a great source of pride for her parents, William and Faye Curd, her brother, Martell Curd, and her sisters, Marie, Margo, Gianina, and Sedra Curd; and

WHEREAS, she is blessed by the loving spirit of her son, Isiah Anderson; and

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WHEREAS, Shiri has performed her many responsibilities with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Jenica Shiri Curd for exceptional service as a legislative intern for Senator Rosalind Kurita, recognize her meritorious leadership at Austin Peay State University, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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